GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

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EWS Patients
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

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(a) whether about 33 per cent beds in the private hospitals in the country including Delhi, Ahmedabad and Jaipur meant for providing free treatment to the patients under the Economically Weaker Section (EWS) quota always remain vacant;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to make available the details regarding quota of EWS patients and beds therein on the websites of all the private hospitals;

(d) whether monitoring committee for EWS has been constituted in all the private hospitals; and

(e) if not, the action taken by the Government against such private hospitals so far?

Answer

ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE
(SHRI FAGGAN SINGH KULASTE)
(a) to (e): Since Health is a State subject; no such information is maintained centrally.
However, the Government of NCT of Delhi has informed that in pursuant to the order dated 22.3.2007 of Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in WP (C) 2866/2002 in the matter of Social Jurists Vs. Government of NCT of Delhi and others, identified Private Hospitals, which were allotted land on concessional rates, are required to reserve 10% of their total beds to provide free treatment to the economically weaker sections patients.

The details of availability of free beds for EWS category of patients are available on the website of Department of Health, Government of NCT of Delhi. A Monitoring Committee has already been constituted by Government of NCT of Delhi to monitor the provisions for treatment in the identified private hospitals to economically weaker sections. Government Nodal Officers at identified Private Hospitals have been appointed for verifying the status of patients admitted by the identified hospitals.